

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph [0016] with the following.

[0016] For the purposes of this document, “non-equidimensional substrate” can include any structure that can be fed through the continuous system of the present invention, which has a non-equidimensional cross-sectional footprint perpendicular to the direction of travel. For example, a cylinder would be considered equidimensional, whereas a square bar or ribbon would be considered non-equidimensional. More specifically, metals, alloys, inorganics, organometallics, solid organics, natural fibers and natural materials, salts, minerals; structural, construction, and high-strength polymers; single-strand polymers, multiple strand polymers; filamentous, sheet or woven materials or polymers; ribbon and ribbon-like materials, screens and screen-like materials, and the like, can be non-equidimensional as defined herein. These and other materials can be of any non-equidimensional cross-sectional shape or length, including, but not limited to non-circular fibrous or filamentous materials, non-circular rods, sheets, bars, screens, textile and non-textile fabrics, layered or plied materials, mats, flat stock, square stock, channel stock, angle stock, corrugated material, cast molded, extruded formed or otherwise irregular shaped materials, and the like. Additional examples can include multiple structures of circularly symmetrical structures (or otherwise equidimensionally cross-sectioned structures) arranged in a side-by-side, top-to-bottom, encircled about each other, or otherwise arranged in an adjacent manner so as to present a non-equidimensional cross-sectional footprint, or facial print in the direction co-linear to travel through the device. FIGS. 2, 3 and 4 depict end seals whereby multiple symmetrical structures of appropriate size may be passed therethrough the device in such an adjacent arrangement. Thus, structures arranged as such including ropes, wires, cables, yarns, threads, circular rods, round stock, splines, and the like, are included within the scope of the present invention.